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SUBJECT: CLAIM OF FRIEDA NICHOLS

REF: PAUP 812; TELCON OF APRIL 8 - DANIEL STRASSER, ARA/LA/CAR AND MARTHA CARBONE

- 1. HAITIAN LAWYER THOMAS VERDIEU STILL HAS HIS EARLY FILE ON NICHOLS CASE AND HAS CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ORALLY BY DEPT. HE WAS LAWYER FOR XENOPHON G. NICHOLS IN 1958 AND OBTAINED FOR HIM FROM THE GOH A CHECK OF APPROXIMATELY \$100,000. NICHOLS THEN REFUSED TO PAY LAWYER'S FEE. ACCORDINGLY, VERDIEU ATTACHED THE REMAINDER OF FUNDS DUE TO NICHOLS (APPROXIMATELY \$35,000). ON MARCH 23, 1959, A COURT ORDER WAS ISSUED REQUIRING THE GOH TO PAY VERDIEU \$17,500 FROM THE SUM STILL DUE TO NICHOLS. VERDIEU TRIED TO OBTAIN HIS MONEY FROM THE GOH IN 1959 AND THE EARLY 60'S WITHOUT SUCCESS. HE HAS MADE NO EFFORT TO OBTAIN PAYMENT IN THE PAST TEN YEARS.
- 2. THE COURT ORDER IS STILL VALID AND GOH CANNOT PAY NICHOLS WITHOUT FIRST PAYING VERDIEU.
- 3. IN VIEW OF THIS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, EMBASSY WILL AGAIN APPROACH NATIONAL BANK DIRECTOR ANTONIO ANDRE TO DETERMINE WHAT CAN BE DONE FOR MRS. NICHOLS. ISHAM

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